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E.O. 11652: XGDS-1

TAGS: ESTC, COCOM, US, BU

SUBJECT: U.S. EXPORTS OF COMPUTER EQUIPMENT TO BULGARIA

REF: (A) COCOM DOCS (78) 675 AND (78) 676

1. THE UK HAS RESERVED ON THESE TWO CASES AND HAS  
ASKED FOR INFORMATION AS TO: "WHY THESE SYSTEMS ARE  
REQUIRED BY THE BULGARIAN ORGANS NAMED AS THE END-USERS.  
GIVEN THAT THE BANK SYSTEM, AND POSSIBLY ALSO THE  
PLANNING SYSTEM (DEPENDING ON WHERE ITS REMOTE  
TERMINALS ARE TO BE), ARE POTENTIAL STRATEGIC  
ASSETS AND WOULD BE DIVERTED TO MILITARY USES IN A  
CRISIS, WE CONSIDER THAT COCOM SHOULD BE TOLD ENOUGH  
ABOUT THE EXPECTED WORK-LOAD OF THESE SYSTEMS, AND  
THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE NEW PLANNING SYSTEM  
AND THE EXISTING EQUIPMENT (DOCS EA (71) 174 AND (76)  
1370), TO ESTABLISH A GENUINE CIVIL NEED FOR ALL  
THIS APPARATUS IN THE MEANTIME. WHILE WE DO NOT  
ASK FOR ITEM-BY-ITEM JUSTIFICATION, EVEN FOR THOSE  
INGREDIENTS WHICH ARE EMBARGOED IN THEIR OWN RIGHT,  
WE SHOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR MORE DETAILED INFORMATION  
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OF THE KIND MENTIONED ABOVE. WE SHOULD ALSO BE  
GRATEFUL TO KNOW WHETHER ALL THE ITEMS LISTED AS  
"10 LSI - 26 MODEMS RACAL MILGO" IN ATTACHMENTS  
1/3 ARE SEPARATELY REQUIRED."

2. ACTION REQUESTED: RESPONSE TO UK QUESTIONS.  
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